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Title: ENHANCED LIGHT EXTRACTION IN LEDS THROUGH THE USE OF
INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL OPTICAL ELEMENTS.

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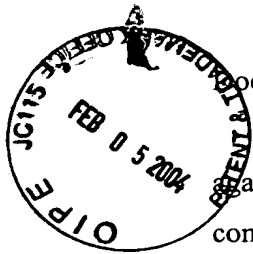
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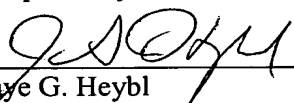
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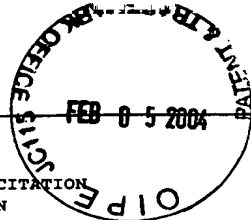
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